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Statusofthisapplication

Claims 1-18 are pending. Claims 1, 3-5, 10, and 12-14 were finally rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being directed to subject matter deemed to be obvious in view of the combined teachings of U.S. Patent 6,292,880 issued to Mattis et al. (hereinafter "Mattis") and U.S. Patent 6,594,700 issued to Graham et al (hereinafter "Graham"). Claims 2, 6-9, 11, and 15-18 were finally rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over Mattis in view of Graham, and further in view of U.S. Patent Application Publication No. 2002/0099734 filed by Schroeder et al. (hereinafter "Schroeder").

The content of this response

The Action mailed on February 9. 2006 repeated the rejections stated in the prior action, and those rejections have already been addressed in Applicant's prior response mailed on December 26, 2005, and this prior response is accordingly incorporated herein by reference. The following comments will briefly summarize these prior arguments and comment on the Examiner's response to these prior arguments.